

Young times

Painting the carpet red



The stars were out on Sunday for the children's Bafta awards. But what goes on behind the glitz and glamour of the big night? **Sarah Vine** and her daughter, Beatrice, went along to find out



The flashbulbs were popping when Beatrice (aged 5 and a half) and I stepped out of our car outside the Hilton Hotel in Park Lane, Central London, for this year's British Academy Children's Awards. We were there at the invitation of Disney, which excited Beatrice, who is a big *High School Musical* fan (Gabriella is her favourite).

As we headed towards the red carpet the *Strictly Come Dancing* star Rachel Stevens, left, appeared, sending the crowd of photographers into a frenzy. Beatrice thought we should avoid getting caught up in the chaos, so we ducked in through a side door.

Once inside, we headed straight for the loo, where members of the new girl band the Saturdays were adjusting their outfits. They later performed live on stage, which Beatrice thought was good — but a bit "noisy". At the champagne reception, which was very hot and very crowded, Beatrice sipped orange juice while loads of very excited grown-ups talked at each other in loud voices.

After a while we plucked up the courage to go for a wander. We met a very nice boy called Connor Panayi, who was there with his mother, Judy. Connor stars in the CBeebies show *Space Pirates*, which lost out in the awards to *In The Night Garden*.

When it was time for us to go to our table, we found ourselves sitting next to Selina Gomez, right, the 16-year-old star of the hit Disney show *Wizards of Waverley Place*. Selina has been in showbusiness since she was 7, when she landed a part in *Barney & Friends*, and she is hoping to release her first pop album next year.

Beatrice thought she was very pretty ("a bit like Gabriella"). They chatted away rather naughtily during some of the more boring bits of the awards, and Selina's mother had to tell her off once or twice for not concentrating properly. Sorry, Selina!



- Children's Baftas 2008 — the winners**
- Best Animation** *Charlie and Lola* autumn special
 - Breakthrough Talent** Eliot-Otis Brown Walters (*Summerhill*)
 - Best Drama** *The Revenge Files of Alistair Fury*
 - Best Factual** *Serious Andes*
 - Best Entertainment** *Hedz*
 - Best Feature Film** *Wall-E*
 - Best Presenter** Justin Fletcher (*Something Special*)
 - Bafta Kids' Vote** *Hannah Montana*

daily dingbat

Which word or phrase is this? Say what you see.



Yesterday's answer Jump for joy

Yesterday's riddle Racecar

puzzle of the day

picture ladder

Write the name of each pictured object in its row in the grid, then read down the pink squares to reveal a hidden word.



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Yesterday's answer Imagination

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